

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Line 2, change "comprises" to --includes--; and  
Lines 9 and 10, change "said" to --the--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel 2-56 without prejudice or disclaimer  
of the subject matter recited therein.

REMARKS

The specification and abstract have been reviewed  
and amended to correct minor informalities and improve their  
idiomatic English form.

Claims 2-56 have been cancelled. Additional claims  
are being prepared and will be submitted in the near future.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37  
C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37  
C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed  
to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R.  
§1.97(d), copies of the listed documents are not enclosed, as  
they are of record in related application no. 08/914,618.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the  
following U.S. applications:

<u>APPLN. NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
08/321,465	October 11, 1995	2604
08/813,971	February 28, 1997	2215
08/479,372	June 7, 1995	2215

*Ref. 5,216,89*

The '465 application is a continuation of application no. 07/913,483, filed July 14, 1992, now abandoned.

The '971 application is a continuation of application no. 08/245,088, filed May 17, 1994, now abandoned.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of any cited U.S. application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

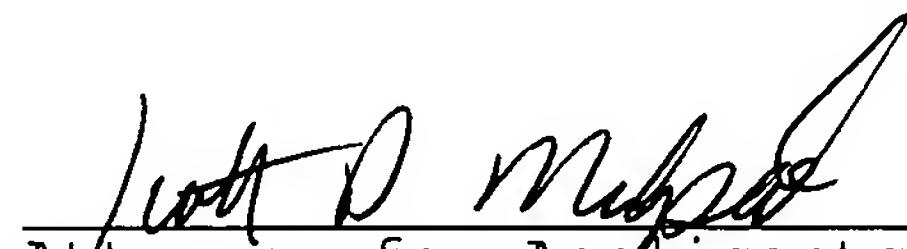
#### CONCLUSION

Due consideration and prompt passage to issue are respectfully requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010.

All correspondence should continue to be directed to our  
below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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